(c) whether poor people are liekly to benefit as a result of the programme?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL SUPPLIES AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (SHRI KAMALUDDIN AHMED): (a) to (c) The Government has initiated steps to revamp the Public Distribution System (PDS) in about 1700 blocks, which have been identified in consultation with the State Governments/UT Administrations, with a view to improve its reach to the people in the identified areas. The Blocks identified are covered by various area specific progammes including the Drought Prone Area Programme. The State Governments have been advised to open more fair price shops; issue ration cards to families not issued such card so far; initiate measures to deiliver the PDS items at the door-step of the fair price shops; and eliminate bogus ration cards/units. The Central Government and the State Governments/UT Administrations are monitoring the progress made in the implementation of the revamped PDS. The strengthening and streamlining of the PDS is a continual process and steps are taken to strengthen and streamline the System. Most of the blocks in the identified areas in the proposed implementation of the revamped PDS, are located in rural areas, where a significant number of the poorer and weaker sections of the population live.

Fair Price Shops in Arunachal Pradesh

3801. SHRI NYODEK YONGGAM: Will the PRIME MINISTER pleased to state:

(a) the names of districts where Fair Price Shops have not yet been opened at all at the block levels in Arunachal Pradesh; and

(b) whether in addition to ration and kerosene oil, cooking gas would be also made availale even in the remote areas?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL SUPPLIES AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (SHRI KAMALUDDIN AHMED): (a) Fair Price Shops in some blocks in the Districts of Lower Subansiri, East Siang and West Siang have not been opened. Government of Arunachal Pradesh has reported that the areas are served by air dropping of essential commodities.

(b) There is no proposal at present introduce cooking gas for distribution through the Public Distribution System. Taking into account the conditions of terrain and poor road facilities in the State, it has not been found feasible to distribute cooking gas in all the remote areas of Arunachal Pradesh.

उत्तर प्रदेश को आवश्यक वस्तुओं तथा खाद्य तेलों की सप्लाई

3802. **श्री ईश दत्त यादव** : क्या **प्रधान** मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) पिछले तीन वर्षों के दौरान उत्तर प्रदेश को कितनी मात्रा में आवश्यक वस्तुओं और खाद्य तेलों की सप्लाई की गई ; और

(ख) क्या सरकार 1991 की जनगणना के आधार पर उक्त सामग्रियां सप्लाई करने का विचार कर रही है ?

नागरिक आपूर्ति और सार्वजनिक वितरण मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री कमालुद्दीन अहमद) : (क) 1989–90 और 1991 के दौरान उत्तर प्रदेश को आबंटित की गई और उसके द्वारा उठाई गई मात्रा दर्शानेवाला एक विवरण सलग्न है ।

(ख) खाद्यानों का आबंटन केन्द्रीय पूल में स्टाक की उपलब्धता, बाजार में उपलब्ध मात्रा और राज्यों/संघ राज्य क्षेत्रों की पारस्परिक मांग को ध्यान में रखते हुए माह-दर-माह आधार पर किया जाता है । लेवी चीनी का आबटन 1–10–86 को अनुमानित आबादी को 425 ग्राम मात्रा प्रति व्यक्ति प्रतिमाह उपलब्ध कराने के आधार पर किया जाता है । केन्द्रीय सरकार ने अगस्त, 91 से मार्च, 92 तक लेवी चीनी के आबंटन में तदर्थ आधार पर 5 प्रतिशत की वृद्धि की है । खाद्य तेलों का आबंटन आयात/विदेशी मुद्रा की उपलब्धता संबंधी सीमाओं और राज्य/संघ राज्य क्षेत्र द्वारा उठाई गई मात्रा के रिकार्ड के अनुसार किया जाता है ।